# State of Maryland Board of Social Work Examiners



# **Open Session Minutes December 14, 2018 Metro Executive Building** 4201 Patterson Ave, Room 110 **Baltimore, Maryland 21215**

## **Board Members:**

Sherryl Silberman Wrenn Skidmore

Karen Richards

Angela Anderson-Smith

**Denise Capaci** Donald J. List **Gerard Farrell** Letha Moszer

Mary L. Sayres

Jamie Wilson

**Board Staff:** 

Gail Wowk

Tyrone Willoughby

Stanley E. Weinstein

Rhonda Edwards

Donna Ridgell

Stacie Rigby

**Executive Director** 

OAG, Board Counsel

Director, Planning and Continuing Education

Social Work Supervisor Administrative Aide

Continuing Education Aide

Professional Member, Chair

**Consumer Member (Absent)** 

Professional Member (Absent)

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**Professional Member** 

**Consumer Member** 

Professional Member, Vice Chair

Professional Member, Secretary/Treasurer

Guest:

Daphne McClellan Kate Christman Gisele Ferretto

Lillian Reese

**Executive Director, NASW-MD Chapter** 

University of Maryland School of Social Work University of Maryland School of Social Work

**Legislation and Regulations Specialist** 

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Open Session was called to order at 10:32 A.M. by Sherryl Silberman, Board Chair.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes from October 12, 2018 and November 9, 2018 were approved – 9 votes unanimously

#### ADJUSTMENT AND ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

**Announcement: None** 

### **BOARD CHAIR**

# **Sherryl Silberman**

- Sherryl Silberman introduced newly appointed Board Member Susan P. Coppage, LCSW-C. Susan Coppage is currently filling the vacant DHS representative seat. She is a native of Queen Anne County, Maryland with 18 years of experience holding various positions within the Department of Human Services.
- Sherryl Silberman informed the Board, Angela Anderson-Smith's new work schedule will not
  permit the time required to serve on the Board and has therefore tendered her resignation.
  Board member Mary Sayers will be moving out of the State of Maryland and therefore will not
  meet the residential requirements mandated by the State. She has henceforth tendered her
  resignation effective March 2019.
- Due to current resignations and vacant seats on the Board, Sherryl Silberman will be reassigning
  the Committee Members and ask that anyone who is interested in joining other committees to
  please email her with their request.
- The Strategic Planning Meeting has been post ponded until further notice due to the number of vacant seats on the Board.

## **Executive Director Report**

## Stanley E. Weinstein

- Stanley Weinstein asked Denise Capaci to share with the Board, the ASWB Initiative: "Mobility & Portability" and its impact in the State of Maryland. Denise Capaci began with informing the Board that Stanley Weinstein was the recipient of the National Glenda McDonald Administrative Award.
- Denise Capaci distributed to the Board a "Mobility Report" from ASWB explaining how the mobility initiative is being using by other states and agencies. The Department of Veterans Affairs allows its social workers to practice anywhere in the United States with one license as long as they working for the VA. Denise Capaci explained how some of the surrounding states are prepared for the mobility initiative however, there are some concerns the Board might have as to how to handle the grandfather clause and required criminal back ground checks that are not required in other states, clinical hours required by Maryland that differ from other states,

- etc. Stanley Weinstein suggested meeting with other neighboring states to collaborate on the Mobility Initiate.
- Tyrone Willoughby was asked to discuss the Social Work Rehabilitation Committee Project and if there is a need for such a committee to assist Social workers. Student intern Camille Ochoa is currently researching and compiling data for future discussion.
- Stanley Weinstein gave an update to the Board on the proposed regulations. The cutoff date was December 10, 2018.
- The Board for the second year has paid the Maryland Health Care Commission a fee for social workers who renewed. The total was \$154,000.00.
- Stanley Weinstein informed the Board members, that the State requires a report on the number
  of sexual assault cases. The Board of Social Work received 8 sexual assault complaints and 4 of
  those cases were referred to the Office of the Attorney General.

# **Statue and Regulations Committee**

Wrenn Skidmore, Chair

Wrenn Skidmore informed the Board the Committee is still reviewing and responding to public comments on the proposed regulations.

# **Continuing Education Committee**

Karen Richards, Chair

The Committee is in the process of reviewing the Continuing Education Post Renewal Audit process.

#### ADJOURNMENT OF THE OPEN SESSSION

The Open Session adjourned at 11:31 A.M.

Karen Richards, LCSW-C

**Board Secretary/Treasurer** 

Stanley E. Weinstein, Ph.D., LCSW-C

**Executive Director** 

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